two or three feet deep and several

green leaf wherever they have gone. Thousands of people all over the country are busy digging trenches, which are filled with straw and put afire at the first sign of the approach-

ing insects. In the neighborhood of this city the fields for miles around are covered necessary. with the bodies of the destroyed locusts, and these are beginning to decay, endangering the health of the population, but it is impossible to get them out of the way at least until the swarms have ceased to come.

A REMARKABLE

Whether it is memory aided by natiral instinct, or the power of discrimnation based on reason which makes the remarks of "talking" birds so extremely apropos at times is a mighty hard question to decide. In the meanwhile, the repartee of these birds loses none of its interest. For example:

"There's a green-headed Mexican parrot attached to a Western stable of thoroughbreds quartered at the Benning track that stands a swell chance of being ruled off by the turf authorities if he doesn't behave better," says the Washington Post.

"The stable to which the parrot is attached is quartered close to the Paddock gate. On sunny days the parrot's roomy cage is hung from a rail close to the entrance gate to the paddock. Many of the club guests pass into the club stand through the paddock gate. Among the early-arriving guests of the Jockey Club the other afternoon was swagger-looking young couple. The man was a somewhat pompous-looking chap, and the young woman was an exceedingly pretty girl, in an up-to-the minute racing outfit. The pair stood ust within the gate for a moment, unlecided as to which direction to take. The parrot scratched his head interest-

edly as he sized the young woman up. 'Why, Aggie, come right over here to papa!' he piped, and the couple, not seeing him, gazed with amazement and suspicion at the group of lounging stable hands and apprentice jockeys around the stable door. 'You look like a certified check. You look like the money all three ways across the board!' went on the piping voice in chopping sentences. 'Oh, shucks! For two cents I'd hand you a ridiculous hug right under the bamboo tree, you peacherino! Come ovuh yonduh to yo' man this minute! Why, pity sakes alive, I think I could learn to love you

The young woman blushed deeply and the young man glared loweringly at the bunch of stable hands and youngsters.

"'Don't get het up, Percy!' croaked the tantilizing voice. 'Don't get rude. You can't tech me; my fingers are crossed! Whoa, there! Oh, gosh, ain't this sporting life h-

"The girl saw the parrot first and pointed him out to the sore-looking young man with her. He grinned sheepishly, and they passed on.

"'Giddy piker! Chip on your shoulder, hey?' the bird called after him a: gravatingly. 'I double-dog dare you to come back here! 'Fraid I'd win your doll away from you, hey? D-, if I ain't a gay dog with the ladies!' and

HOW TO POSE FOR

the bird preened himself conceitedly."

A curious fact relative to a woman's personality is that the two sides of her keep it up until I gave her the usual face are not in accord one with the chew. other. In other words, every woman has two faces, and oue shows certain not, and each contradicts the other.

The left side is nearly always the prettier, although it would take a very sugar or candy without even stopping." keen eye to discern any difference But it is worth while to remember this

when posing for one's photograph. The moral of this is obvious. The eft side of the face showing to far better advantage than the right, it is statement that it is very incomplete evidently one's duty to keep the good

side turned toward an observer.

Contempt Case Dismissed.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 18 .-The contempt case of Maynard F. Stiles and Henry Fisher, counsels in it goes. Some people think the Fair the famous land case of King vs. Hat is the "biggest thing out of doors" An elephant at the London zoo died field, at Washington, was dismissed and others come

LOCUST PEST COUNTY ROADS AND THEIR COST

Bids, opened recently, on the county road contracts to be carried out this UPON THE COUNTRY IN SOLID year call attention at once to the steady progress of the improvement of the roads and to their rather steep cost. The lotting of 22 miles of roads to be macadamized and the cost of from \$14,000 to \$20,000 per mile, av oraging about \$16,000, illustrates both aspects.

The Dispatch led in the movement for road improvement by several years in advance of official ac tion. It has never seen any reason to change its opinion of the importance and usefulness of that work. But it also believes that the public miles long, and they do not leave a money expended for that purpose should be administered as to yield the greatest possible return for the money. Its attitude on that point is identical with its attitude on filtration. It supports and urges the work, but it opposes making the work cost more than

> On this platform it tenders the following query: Why is it that the county must pay an average of \$16,-000 per mile for macadamized roads when townships and boroughs within the county have constructed macadamized roads at a cost of \$4,000 to \$6,000 per mile? The question is given point by the fact that in certain parts of the county where the two classes of roads can be seen in close vicinity the less expensive sort does not show badly by comparison.

> Possibly if this question were fully hreshed out it might include an exhibit of the reasons why Pittsburg must pay twice as much for filtration as Washington, Albany and Philadelphia.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Horse Tries Hold-Up.

An unusual sight was witnessed on last Tuesday morning at the corner of the old York road and Gorsuch avenue. A riderless horse belonging to a member of the mounted squad of Senator Gorman On the Political Sitpolicemen made an effort to hold up a four-horse wagon loaded with hay while his master was attending to some business in a near-by residence. These horses are so trained that they can be left standing at any corner by the rider in pursuit of duty, and the more faithful cannot be coaxed away

by anyone except the officer in charge. While thus standing unattended the the Senator. animal in question saw a load of hay coming south on the Old York road. He waited his chance, and when the horses were near him he walked out in front of them, and out of respect, as it were, for his high rank the team stopped. The driver was somewhat asorached by seeing the act of the "police how and guided his team the load of hay, only to find that the proposition was too great for him.

As the load of hay passed by the trained equine took two good bites, and then marched back to his position at the corner. /

Forest and Stream tells an interesting story of some horses that had perverted appetites. One had a fondness for fresh meat; another gobbled up any old thing that came his way, bean soup, potato parings, stale bread or cooked meat; while the third, a small sorrel mare, actually had developed the tobacco habit. The owner obtained her in Texas, and he says that the mare was one that had been Civil War.

"She could carry me 50 miles a day," he continues, "then carry me back next day if I wanted her to do it. I had her about two days when I found out that she chewed tobacco. She grabbed a small package of fine-cutout of my hand, and then stood chewing it, paper and all. Seeing that it had not hurt her, I kept her in tobacco, buying the leaf tobacco that all these Mexican stores sold here then, a large 'hand' of it for a silver dime; that would not have paid the duty on it had any been paid, but the collector had not got here yet. When he did come these men had to stop selling it at any price. I never went near my mare A PHOTOGRAPH. without bringing her tobacco. If she did not get it right away, she would begin to shove me with her nose, and

"I rode a horse for four years, my race horse Charley, which would eat characteristics which the other does half a peck of peaches as fast as I could remove the stones out of them. The same horse could eat a pound of

Do Not Like the Fair.

Two Morgantown visitors to the World's Fair are authority for the as yet; that many of the attractions have not been placed in position; that the "Pike" is in an embryonic state; that they do not think much of the about sixty days to make things presentable to the general public, and so ck disappointed. We can't all see al

FILIPINOS ARE

Students in America Lean Largely Toward Teaching.

WASHINGTON, May 18 .- The sec ond quarterly report of Prof. William Alexander Sutherland, in charge of the Filipino students in the United States, has been received by the Bureau of Insular Affairs, War Departs ment. Professor Sutherland speaks of the excellent health of the students, who spent their first winter in South ern California, and also of the satisfactory progress made in their school work.

The present plan is to collect the students at some suitable place after the school year is over and give them a special summer course along the lines where special work is needed, and then after a short visit to the St. Louis Fair to place them in schools and colleges in the Central States.

The students, as far as they have expressed themselves, desire to pursue a variety of callings upon their return to their island homes. Twentyfive per cent. of them expect to become teachers. Some desire to become civil engineers, others desire to pursue a commercial course, a few wish to study medicine, two are eager to enter the Naval Academy at Annapolis and then find employment in the coastwise service of the Philippines.

A few desire to study scientific agriculture and it is suggested that they be placed in some Southern agricultural college in order to secure practical training in the cultivation of rice, sugar and cotton, as well as acquaintance with modern agricultural implements.

"WE WANT

uation.

United States Senator Gorman came to Baltimore yesterday and was in conference at the Hotel Rennert with State Treasurer Murray Vandiver, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. Ex-Gov. E. E. Jackson, of Wicomico county, also saw

"I have run over to Baltimore boday on private business," said the Sen-

ator to a reporter of the Sun, "and are not here on any political mission." "Have you talked over the question

tion?" asked the reporter. "No," was the prompt response. That matter has not been discussed. What we want to do is to send out a

"What about your recent trip to

ical mission, all reports to the con-

"What do you think of the slina-

"What we want to do is to win." the Senator declared. "I expect DS be in Baltimore before our State e-pvention and go over the situation more thoroughly."

During the interview it was clear that the Senator's opinion is that the 1884, when Mr. nominated and that it is any man's

Senator Gorman would not commit

The Senator looked unusually well, and his healthy appearance was commented upon by those about the hotel.—Sun.

Domestic Repartee.

don't seem to cut any ice in this world!

Oil Man Receives Fatal Injuries. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 18 .-Smith Whan, a member of the off operating firm of Hickman and Whan, was blown from a well in Wirt county yesterday by a premature explosionof nitro-glycerine and received in a ries which may prove fatal.

A good farm dog is a useful animal The cur dog that runs after every show at present, and that it will take thing he should not, and nothing that

> There are fewer blind people in the United States than in any other co

of delegates to the national conven-

what we want to do is to send out a good delegation, who will be interestimated and put his shoulder against many with whom we can win. ed in keeping Maryland in line for a man with whom we can win."

New York?" was the next question. "Why, I was not there on any posit-

trary," replied the Senator.

tion?"

The Senator asked then to be ex-

cused.

"captured" in the South during the situation closely resembles that in

himself as being a candidate, but cxpressed the wish that the convention would nominate a man upon whom all factions could center.

He (during the quarrel) - Well, I

She-Well, it's a safe bet that you'll not be in the kind of climate where you will be able to cut any in the next .- Yonkers Statesman.

Watch the hard-working horses so as to keep them in good condition. If they do not "hold their own," be sure to increase the food or lessen their work.

he should, should never be tolerated.

try in the world, in proportion 12 population

VIEW OF BUSINESS SECTION OF FAIRMONT, W. VA.

OU likely never stopped to consider that the bo year lost transportation transformations possible to Western Pomer vania and West Virginia are just being completed; on the form of the property of the proper

made there was a minor dollar trolley system reaching fifteen mining towns, a \$250,000 Court house, a \$200,000 Department Store, two \$100,000 hotels

The East Fairmont
Co. has 150 agrees of jevel

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Ireland's Friend.

Up On Chestnuts.

Caesar Amended.

Mr. H .- All I can say, Miss Braczy,

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ing a change but feared the expense

might be too great. May be high under

some conditions but not if we do the work

mit figures which will be quite low.

We would be pleased to have you in-

W. A. MOOREHEAD,

Jacobs Euilding, Monroe Street.

Perhaps you have thought about mak-

addition of a handsome

is, "I came, I saw, you conquered."-

chestnut with me .- New Yorker.

oughly what have you to say?

Ireland ever had?

book of fairy tales?

-Town Topics.

Brooklyn Life.

of alfalfa.

runs through the property.

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Diagram Showing Cities Within 80 Mile Racius of Fairmont will double in value in a few weeks.

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If you will send \$10 at once to the First National Bank of Fairmont, W. Va., established 1853, deposits and surplus, \$1,556,000.00 or the Citizen's Pollar Savings Bank, Fairmont, W. V., capital stock, \$100,000 or Guardian Trust Co., 411 Wood Street, Pittsburg, Pa., Capital and Surplus \$1,000,000.00, we will foward you through them proper agreement for the best unsold lot, or you can make first payment direct to the

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Court House, Fairmont, W. Va

property. Title is guar-auteed, lots are 30x100 and in order to make

an unusual and at-

tractive investment, the entire plan of lots

will be offered on and after Saturday,

may 14th, at a uniform price of \$300 each, \$10 down and \$10 per month. None are reserved. There is no interest or taxes. This

space is too small to fully describe the property and why many lots will double in value in a few weeks.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF ESTRAY CAT-

TLE BY CHIEF OF POLICE. Teacher-Who was the best friend Pursuant to the provisions of Sec-Irish Scholar-Oi don't just now re tion 58 of Chapter 9, of the laws and member, but he discovered Amerigy. ordinances of the City of Fairmont, Marion county. West Virginia, the undersigned Chief of Police of said city, will on the 2d day of June, 1904, at Agent-Madam, could I sell you this the front door of the Court-house of said Marion county, offer for sale at Mrs. Muachwed-No; I've been marpublic auction to the highest bidder ried four times, and fairy tales are a therefor the following described property now in my possession under and

by virtue of the laws and ordinance: aforesaid: Miss Breezy-Well, Mr. Harkaway! One dark red yearling heifer, heavy Now that you have inspected me thor-

build, and very wide between the horns, and in good condition. One light brindle heifer. Both of said cattle were found estray upon the streets of the City of Fairmont, on the 12th day of May, 1904, and have Farmers in all sections of the counbeen in my possession ever since. The owner or owners of said cattle try are beginning to realize the value upon the payment of all costs connected with the detention of said cattle, and keeping same, and producing proper evidence as to their ownership, can redeem said cattle on or before the day of sale, otherwise said cattle

will be sold as aforesaid. JAMES E. MORGAN, hief of Police of the City of Fairmont. Chief of Police of the

City of Fairmont. X

Capt. A. N. Prichard, of Mannington, one of the Big Four who will represent West Virginia at the National convention in Chicago in June, was in Wheeling last night and this morning and stopped at the McLure. Capt. Prichard is one of the old Republican Can be made doubly attractive by the war horses of the State, and has a large number of friends in Wheeling remained here during the night --

Wheeling Telegraph.

Thrown to the Ground. W. S. Pitzer, of the Fifth ward, was slightly injured by being thrown from spect the line of mantels here and also the top of the Monongah Glass Comour book of designs. Then we can sub- pany's building to the ground. A pulley was fastened to the beam upon which Mr. Pitzer was standing, when the beam broke loose, causing him to fall. He will be able for work again in a few days.

When Cleopatra was a Queen

He moved his Saratoga trunk To Cleopatra's flat;

wasn't there, but I have heard They carried on just frightful;

Was not at all delightful.

Until the gossip reached his home And exercised his wife.

A reckless thing to do; And Cleopatra up and cried, And then remarked, "Here too."

She sent to Keely's for a snake, And let it bite like fury; The coroner arranged a wake

Chio's Big Four.

Turned the Corner.

Anthony and Cleopatra.

She called him 'Anty' (this was bunk) And he called her Cleo 'Pat.'

The climax, it may be inferred,

Rome Began to knock and knife,

Then Marc committed suicide,

-Milwaukee Sentinel.

who are always glad to see him. He tors, Noch H. Swayne of Toledo and Chas. P. Taft, of Cincinnati.

> and still she detested the society of men "How did she manage?" "She married a clubman."-Houston Post.

Marc's neighbors back in dear old

And hustled up a jury.

the "Big Four" to the Natonal convention at Chicago-Senators Foraker and Geo. B. Cox. For presidential elec-

of fright caused by a thunderstorm. 16-day.

She dwelt in splendid pomp; A giddier gal was never seen-She was the village romp. She met Mars Anthony one day, When he blew in from Rome, And for her, historians say, He left his happy home.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 18 .- Republican State convention selected as and Dick, Governor M. T. Herrick

"She did not wish to be an old maid